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Applicants: James A. Brownlee, et al.)
Serial No.: 09/855,917) Art Unit: 3626
Filed: May 15, 2001) Examiner: James R. Brittain
For: Cable Tie With Wide Neck)

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Examiner:

This Amendment After Final Action is responsive to the Final Office Action mailed on October 22, 2002. Accordingly, please amend the specification and claims as follows:

In the Specification:

Please replace the specification paragraph beginning on page 1, line 24, and ending on page 2, line 8, with the following paragraph:

There also is known a bent neck type of cable tie, such as the one shown in Figs. 4-9 described in copending U.S. Patent Application Ser. No. 09/855,262, the disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety. In such a bent neck design, cable tie 100 is again integrally formed with both a cable tie head 120 and a strap 110. However, in this design, strap 110